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The Historians

The people who dig around into old documents are a curious lot and there's more sneaky competition in this field than you would expect from scholarly souls. The scramble for pictures and information on the life of H. A. W. Tabor and his family, for instance, is conducted by experts so devious and clever that they make a Central Intelligence Agency man look like a fellow who can't even get a library card.

One of the slickest sleuths on the trail of the Taborers is Fred Mazzulla, Denver attorney, who is on his toes every minute. It so happens that some time ago Mazzulla found himself in a position to do a favor for an Illinois state official who was very grateful and insisted on replying in kind.

Mazzulla accepted. He said he would like to have a photostat of proceedings before the Chicago coroner who heard testimony about the death of Silver Dollar Tabor, who came to a bad end as what used to be known as a soiled dove.

So now after weeks of investigation the official has reported to Mazzulla that he wasn't fast enough. The records on Silver Dollar Tabor have been stolen.